

eNIP



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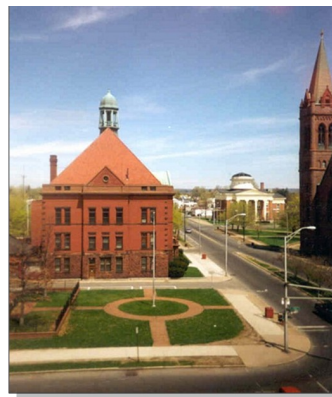


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To begin the
eNIP application process,
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The *enhanced* Neighborhood Improvement Program (eNIP) uses New York State Affordable Housing Corporation, NYS HOME, NYSERDA, NYS Weatherization Program and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to revitalize neighborhoods . . . one house at a time.

Since its inception in the mid 1970's, the Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP) has provided forgivable, no-interest loans to eligible residents - improving their quality of life by enabling them to correct code violations, upgrade interior and exterior living spaces and to provide weatherization improvements.

The new "eNIP" program places a focus on energy efficiency of homes which may help lower utility bills up to 40%.

Eligibility

- **Applicants must own and occupy a single-family home within Rome City limits.**
- **Annual family incomes cannot exceed US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Income Limit Guidelines.**
- **Property taxes must be current.**

Once eligibility is determined, the City completes inspections to identify health and safety issues, , household lead, and provide scopes of work necessary to improve and weatherize the home.

The 2009-2010 program specifically targets energy efficiency improvements, including furnaces, air sealing, and insulation.

Additional improvements such as windows, doors and exterior cladding receive second priority. Most rehabilitation projects will not exceed \$25,000.

FAQ's

Are owners of multi-family homes eligible for assistance?

No, at this time, the eNIP may only assist single family homeowners. However, multi-family homes are eligible for NYS Weatherization assistance through Mohawk Valley Community Action Agency.

What are my obligations?

eNIP applicants agree to maintain improvements and reside in the project home for ten years. If the applicant moves before ten years, a pro-rated loan amount becomes due and payable. After ten years, the loan is forgiven and discharged.

Who completes the work?

After the initial inspection, a scope of work is created. Once approved, work is completed by contractors hired via a competitive bidding process.

How do I apply for the eNIP Program?

To determine your eligibility and to place your name on the waiting list, visit the Department of Community & Economic Development and ask to fill out an eNIP Survey.